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Thesis Statement

1970’s Muscle Cars

The three top American manufactures in the 1970s where battling to be the best, fastest and most powerful car of the era. At the top of my list was Chevy with there muscle cars such as the chevelle, and there pony car witch was the camaro. Dodges muscle car was the charger, and there pony car was the challenger. Last but certainly least was the fords. There muscle car is the Torino, and there pony car was the mustang.

The 70s was the year in which the chevelle was considered the most powerful muscle car of the time. Chevys chevelle SS 454, with a base price of $3,800 and the 454 cubic inch engine was rated at 450 horsepower. Which was the highest-ever factory rating at the time. Also in 1969 the chevy camaro COPO (central office production order) car with its 427 big block engine it could run the quarter mile in 11 seconds. The 1969 Chevy camaro was considered one of the most feared muscle cars of any day. In 1970 the second generation camaro was introduced with a 350 cubic inch engine with 360 horsepower.

As for the dodge side of muscle cars their chargers had options of a 440 six pack at 390 horsepower or the 426 hemi with 425 horsepower. The first generation dodge challenger (1970-1974) with engine options such as a 383 magnum V8 rated at 335 horsepower, and the biggest hemi engine like the 440 hemi with a rating of around 475 horsepower.

In 1970 the ford Grand Torino was considered there muscle car with engine options such as the 351windsor rated at only 300 horsepower. There biggest engine they offered was the 427 with only 360 horsepower. For there pony car or mustang which ran from (1964-present day). In 1970 the mustang offered engine sizes the same as the ones listed above for the Torino.

The cause of the death of the true America muscle car consists of many things. Such as emissions controls. These effected many of the engines that they used in there cars, they tried to fix the emissions and it caused huge loses of power in the engines. The rising fuel cost caused many manufactures to produce smaller more fuel efficient cars.